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Chairman Julius Genachowski Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340; RM-11683

Dear Mr. Chairman:

At our law firm, we have the opportunity to meet Mississippians from all walks of life. We handle cases of offshore injuries, nursing home neglect, product liability, and a large number of our cases involve workmen's compensation claims. And with claims and depositions all over the state, it is imperative that we have access to reliable broadband while we travel.

In rural Mississippi, that can sometimes be a challenge. Studies show that Mississippi has the lowest rate of homes with broadband subscriptions in the entire country, at an abysmal 35% subscriber rate. A large portion of the state does not have the terrestrial network to support broadband, which affects many of our clients.

By using LightSquared's network, providers can offer their customers national 4G coverage that otherwise would not be an option. And after spending a decade testing and developing their product, LightSquared has now asked the FCC to modify its license agreement so that it can essentially give up the spectrum most closely located to the GPS-L1 band and instead 5 MHz with the federal government, thus eliminating any prior concerns about interference with GPS.

We applaud the Commission's goal of managing spectrum in a manner that will allow all Americans to have affordable access to broadband. Allowing LightSquared to share spectrum is just good stewardship of a finite product, and allows LightSquared to bring their product to the marketplace, completely transforming the industry.

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